"Hold! Laite Mason," cried a familiar voice, "is it you who are bounding us to

fiant face of the brave young officer before him. His troopers crowded forward, their double-barreled shot-guns cocked, and Luke began to fear that he would be powerless to prevent an attack. It was Lillie's brother, his best friend, what was he to

"Do we meet as friends or foes?" Albert Neff asked. "We are but half a dezen who have left the main body of the army to care for a wounded comrade, you are fifty; but if you say battle to the death, so shall

CHAPTER VI. ON TO BELMONT.

Captain Mason knew that if he refused to either make the half dozen Confederates prisoners or shoot them down in their tracks he would be censured. But with his warm, sympathetic heart appealing for the brother of the girl dearer than life, he determined to set military authority at de-

"You once had me in your power and spared me," sa'd the young Captain, after an awkward silence of a few seconds. "I would be more than a monster to refuse

"Thank you, Luke. I don't ask this for

The friends advanced and met half way between their forces. Leaning from his horse he grasped the hand of his friend, who was standing on the ground. Captain Mason

"Albert, it will be all I can do to call those men off, as their blood is up and they are desperate. I shall do my best, though." "Thank you, it is all you can do."

"This will be the last time we can meet as friends on the field of carnage. Though I shall not raise my hand against you myself, the conflict is too desperate for one to screen the other."

"I know it, Luke. God bless you, my friend farewell-"One moment before you go-where is

"At home," suppose.

"She was not when we came by, and I wanted so much to see her. If you meet her, tell her that for her sake her brother's life shall ever be safe. But longer delay is dangerous, go-fly while you can." "We can not travel with him."

"Leave him, then." "No. I would die before I did that."

"Who is he?" "Captain Jasper Morgan."

"The son of Colonel Morgan!"

"Was it Colonel Morgan whem we fought!"

'It was."

"Farewell:"

Again those friends, one standing in the ranks of one away and one in another, clasped hands, gazed for a momentiato each other's faces and parted. "Have they surrendered," one of the

cavalry officers asked, as Luke came back to his mounted men.

'No, it's only a detail to care for the wounded; let them go."

"And not make prisoners of them?" "Yes, it is best. I will be responsible if the order is wrong. To arms, right about."
The cavalrymen wheeled their horses

about and, with the Captain at their bead, went thundering from the wood, down the hill to the valley below. Shots could be heard a mile or so down the valley, and there being a probability of the enemy cut-ting them off, he had them hasten with all speed to the main force.

As Luke dismounted from his horse near where the fight had been hottest, he could not but shudder. It was the first glimpse of carnage he had ever had. The fence shattered with bullets and buck-shot, and in places was completely thrown down.

Lying on his back upon the lately mown mention was a middle aged man in his shirt sleeves, looking like a farmer in peaceful slumber. A bullet bad pserced his heart, and his features were not distorted or sunnatural. But a few rods away, at the brink of the borse-pond, lag a red headed boy of about seventeen surmers, shot in the head.

An old, white-haired man had fallen on his face with his gun under him. Three dead Confederates lay piled against the fence. The Union dead, twelve in number, lay scattered about in the sorn-field and ch orchard beyond.

"Giad yer back," said the Colonel, coming up to where Luke stood gazing on the scene. "We can't waithere lang. We're having the dead and wounded gathered up and cared for, and we must be goin' or we'll have twenty thousand Johnny rebs all around ne

By the middle of the afternoon the little army was again on the road to Cairo. In the hurry and confusion Captain Mason's induigence to his Confederate friend was

The soldiers, angord at the resistance they had met, became more oppressive to the people whose country they were passing through. Houses were phlaged and burned, and the man of civilization became a barbarian and a robber. They were greatly aggravated by the taunts of the Confederate wemen, who waved rebet flags in their faces and cheered "Jeff Davis and the Southern Confederacy." At such times some forgot they were gentlemen and gave insult for insult, usually leaving the smoking ruins of a once happy home as a terrible example of foolish

Hundreds of frightened and oppressed Union men were constantly flocking to them for protection, and next day after the fight Colonel Smart had over a thousand unarmed men, who had to be fed. Having no provision train foraging became an absolute necessity. Being in the enemy's country some of these foraging expeditions were attended with great danger and many were

the ridiculous adventures. On the morning after the conflict in the valley Luke, at the head of a dozen mount-ed men, went up to a farm-house and demanded admittance. They were greeted by half a dozen loud-mouthed dogs, but, after repeated pounding, the door was opened and a thin-visaged, sallow-complexioned woman glared at them from a pair of green-

ish, dark eyes. "What yer want?" she asked.

"Breakfast," Luke answered. "Yer aberlition Yankees; an' wush't I

ma' die if ye git it here.' "Oh, yes, we will," Luke answered, pushing the door open and forcing his way in. "Git out'n my house ur I'll scald yer eyes

"Bave your hot water to make coffee," he retorted, with a smile, and, turning to his men, who had crowded in after him, he added: 'Now, boys, make yourself useful, and help this lady get our breakfast. Kindle a fire, wring the necks of the chickens and do whatever is required; but do no damage to the property unless she is stub-

born and refuses to prepare our breakfast." The woman threw herself in a chair in a corner of the room and began to sulk and snivel, while the soldiers busied themselves. One made a fire in the cook-stove, another brought water and others were useful in other ways. She did not move until she heard her chickens squalling, and, spring-ing to her feet, she selzed a broom and return from the expedition. Some were open their eyes.

leaped out into the yard to defend her favorites. She had raised her weapon to strike when Luke seized her arm, and said: "You will save chickens and other prop-

erty, two, by devoting your time to preparing our breakfast." She was frantic with rage and swore she would "pizen 'em." Some of the soldiers threatened to burn the house if she didn't

go to work.
"I'll git yer breakfust, an' I hope ter goodness it'll choke ye." "Oh no, maw, ye don't wish us thet bad

luck, do ve?" said Arkansaw Tom. "Maw! ye old white-headed sinner, don't yer call me maw. Yer old enough to be

my gran'pap."
"Oh la! ye don't think so, do ye! Why,
I'm only eighteen." "What a lie."

"Here, take a chaw 'n git 'n a good humor," said Arkansaw Tom, taking a huge twistof tobacco from his pocket and holding it tantalizingly close to her.

With an expression more forcible than elegant she struck it from his hand, and sent it spinning across the house out at the door. Arkansaw's companions laughed at



SHE SEIZED A BROOM

his expense, and old Tom recovering his plug, just as a goose was running after it, laughed himself at the infuriated woman.

Breakfast was prepared under many difficulties and quickly dispatched, and the soldiers, loading themselves with visions, bade their unwilling hostess farewell. She, wishing them in lower and hotter regions, slammed the door after them.

Next day Cairo was reached. Here they found General U. S. Grant with a considerable force. They drew arms and uniforms, producing a wonderful change, as they began to look like soldiers.

The officers received their commissions, and the men were immediately put under military training and discipline.

Though the men were tired enough when they reached Cairo, a few days of camp life made it irksome to them, and they were anxious to be upon the march again. At Columbus and Belmont the enemy were strongly posted to prevent the passage of Union forces down the Mississippi.

"I don't see why in thunder they don't go down 'n take Columbus," said Corporal Max, whose propensity to grumble seemed

"We haint ready yit," Arkansaw Tom answered. "Haint ready, ar' we gwine 't wait till

doomsday fore we git ready." Arkansaw Tem was lying on the shally side of a pile of logs, his hands forming a pillow, while he gazed up at the sky.

"We've got ter git mo' men, an' hev 'em better drilled." "Mo' men, jiminy," cried Corporal Max, "why, we've got mo' men now,'n we've

got tents fur. "They ain't nuff t' take them towns; besides, we're not drilled." "Drilled, w'y, la help me, how much more

drillim' d'ye want. Il've wore out my legs a marchin', an' my bands, arms an' shoulders a handlin' that blasted old gun." "I wush ter goodness they'd a let me a

kept my rifle," said Arkansaw Tom. "I kin knock out center every time with it, but with this blamed old musket it's much as a bargain t' hit the side o' a barn two hundred yards."

General U. S. Grant had superseded General Benjamin S. Prentiss at Cairo, and was waiting for a sufficient force to strike some decisive blow at the enemy. Colonel Richard Oglesby was still in Mis-

souri guarding a point which it was thought necessary to hold, and General Grant, learning that Oglesby was threatened by a force of reheis from Columbus, determined to maks a move which would detract them

For a month Colonel Smart's regiment had been lying inactive at Cairo, and, with many of the others, Luke was growing im-

for drilling, and they were returning to quarters when the adjutant told him to report at the Colonel's headquarters. He found most of the commissioned officers of the regiment in the Colonel's tent.

We've got marchin' orders at last," sald Colonel Smart, his face glowing with excitement. "Be in readiness to go aboard the boats to-night."

"Where are we gain'?" one of the officers asked.

"O, that's a secret with Grant and Me-Clernand," and yet with a knowing wink he added: "I'll bet I know where we're bound; get your men in readiness with three days' rations an' forty rounds, an'

Though no positive information had escaped from headquarters by which they could possibly determine the intent of the Qu mmanding officers, 5 et it was understood that the expedition was either upon Belmont or Columbus.

Going to his tent Luke hastily penned a few lines to Lillie, informing her of the dangerous expedition on which they were about to engage, hoping he would come out safe: if he did not be had the glorious consolation of dying for his country.

evening, and the transports with their decks and yards fenced in with logs brought in close to shore. The soldiers were mustered to quarters an hour afterdark, and marched down to the river. The gang planks were thrown out, and they went aboard. Luke's regiment took quarters on the upper deck, where the men stacked

arms and sat down. The night was dark and foggy, but they had experienced pilots who knew every foot of the river, and men and officers had

the most implicit confidence in them. One delay followed another unelit was near midnight before the transports finally pushed off and steamed down the river. The coolness of the men made some of the officers ashamed of their nervous uneasi-

The great black smoke issued from the tail smoke-stacks, the engines puffed, and the ponderous paddles were set in motion. Ere long the transports were in the middle of the stream, speeding down the great dark river

As Luke gazed upon those gallant men he

WASHINGTON CITY.

The President's going to New York, next week, to take part in the Columbus celebration is still a matter of doubt, and dependent upon the condition of Mrs. Harrison. which is [rather unfavorable this week. If the President cannot go he will request Vice President Morton to take his place, and all of the members of the Cabinet have promised to attend.

National committeemen Clarkson of Iowa, and Hobart, of New Jersey, left their duties at headquarters this week long enough to hold several highly important political conferences in Washington, among Kepresents a number of leading Fire Insurance Companies. them one with the President and another with Secretary Charles J. W. CULTON, Foster. They brought cheering news of the campaign. Gen. Clarkson says New York is certain to Will Practice in the Courts of Blount and adgive its votes to Harrison and Reid joining counties and in the Supreme Court at and that there is a good fighting chance fin both Connecticut and business New Jersey; that the recent change of sentiment in favor of the Republicans in Wisconsin, brought about by ex Senator Spooner's splendid and aggressive compaign, has made that State certain; that Minnessota themselves in the certain column, and that all the information recieved from the Dakotas and Nebraska favor Republican success in MARYVILLE, those States. "Even granting,"said Gen. Clarkson, " that the South remains solid, which is very doubtful, where can the Democrats get other 64 electoral votes that they have to win? They cannot get them, that's all there is about it, and Mr. Cleveland is doomed." Gen. Hobart thinks that a fair election in New Jersey will give that state to the Republicans by at least 4,000, and as Jersey City, where most of the fraudulent voting has been done, is now under Republican control the chances are in favor of a fair

Secretary Charles Foster left

Then he will go to the Catskills Vork. Agents wanted. 23-2w and on the 11, inst. will make a speech at Gouverneur, New York. On the 12, he will meet as many of the members of the Cabinet as can attend in New York City to participate in the Columbus Day Celebration. From there he will go to Black Lake for a few days fish- C ing, then to Ohio and work, night and day, until the campaign closes. Speaking of the situation, before leaving here, the Secretary said: "I think the President will be reelected in fact there has never been any doubt in my upon that point. So far as the Greasham nifluence is concerned I know very little. Indiana is usually a Democratic state except in Presidential year, although I believe the Democrats have once in a while carried it even then. However, the close friends of the President from Indiana, men who would not hesitate to tell him the exact situation, say that he is sure to carry it. The Republicans will carry both New York and Connecticut, and with them, of course a majority of the

votes in the electoral college. A smile went around among Republicans when the Democrats began to shout because of the announcement that Judge Cooley of On the morning of the 6th of November, Michigan, would vote for Cleve-Sol, he had taken his company as usual out land. Mr. Cleveland, when President, appointed Judge Cooley a member of the Interstate commerce commission, and the Judge has already voted for Mr. Cleveland, certainly in 1888, and probably in 1884. Another broad smile greeted the column letter of Wayne Mc-Veigh, who because of his being the son-in-law of the old Republican stalwart, Simon Cameron, was taken into President Garfield's cabinet as Attorney General, explaining why he should vote for Cleveland, an explanation entirely unnecessary, because nobody cared a brass button how he intended to

Quite a number of Democrats who attended the convention of the National Association of Democratic clubs, in New York this week, are at present in Washington, but the affair was such a fizzle, the attendance, notwithstanding offers of free transportation, free The troops were gotten in readiness that one-fifth of what had been up to a few weeks ago expected, that they do not care to talk about it. It is said that more than half of those who were the club badges of distant states were men from the small towns near New York, hired for the occasion, in order to make a show. It was because of the small attendance that the street parade had to be abandoned. These things speak in thunder tones of the lethargic condition of the

Democratic party. The result of the Georgia State election is no suprise to Republicans here. It has never been generally believed that the third party movement in the South was anything more than a fight between Demofice. The vote in Georgia should he corrected for the studied by those Republicans in totals are for the studied by those Republicans in totals are for the studied by those Republicans in totals are for the studies of the studies are for the studies of the studies are for the studies a astray by the people's part y, it may

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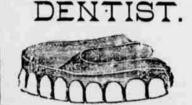
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